Galilean Manual

A guide for organizing and directing the Galileans

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Dedication

This manual is dedicated to the boys and to the men of the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of America who will use this ministry in the training of the men of tomorrow.

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Introduction

There is a need for an organized and coordinated plan of work for boys of the churches of the Baptist Missionary Association of America.

In March 1962, the Publications Committee of the Baptist Missionary Association of America recommended to the Association, meeting at Joplin, Missouri, the adoption of a plan of work for boys and the publication of a manual. The recommendation was accepted.

It is not intended that this manual be an iron-clad rule to conduct boys work. It is a planned ministry that is recommended for use by the local church. If the plan is followed, the authors believe that the boys and the churches will be strengthened through the coordinated effort.

Read the material carefully. Pray about it. Have a working knowledge of it. After doing those things, use this ministry to benefit your local church.

The authors

Name

Galileans is an attractive and meaningful name which brings to one's mind Jesus and His followers. Jesus spent the greater part of His ministry in the region about Galilee. The Master called the fishermen as He walked along the Galilean seashore.

Galilee came to be a stronghold for His cause. He had many followers in that area.

"Galileans" were followers of Christ — hence Christians.

Motto

Follower of Christ — Leader of Others

The first part of the motto is set out in 1 Peter 2:21: "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps."

The second part of the motto is based upon the admonition of Paul to young Timothy: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity" (1 Timothy 4:12).

Fish emblem

The fish, which is featured on the Galilean pin, is one of the oldest Christian symbols. The Greek word for fish is Icthus. The word forms an acrostic for the Greek phrase, "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior."



Promise

I ______ do solemnly and sincerely promise:

To worship in spirit and in truth and to serve God faithfully.

To pray and to study my Bible.

To be reverent at all times wherever I am.

To tell others the message of salvation, and

To do or say nothing that would bring dishonor to Jesus, my church, or my family.

Purpose

Many worthy purposes for the organization exist. The following are only a few. Most are taken from the book For Growing Boys by L. H. Raney.

- 1. To help boys know each other better in a Christian way.
- 2. To give boys an opportunity to learn of Christ through Bible study.
- 3. To give boys an opportunity to learn more about the church and her work on all levels of operation local, state, and national.
- 4. To lead boys to understand and support the world-mission ministry of their church and denomination.
- 5. To give boys the opportunity of service for the Savior through the church.
- 6. To give boys the opportunity of playing together as well as studying together.

Theme song

The Galilean theme song was written especially for boys being served by this ministry. "The Galilean's Song," composed by Gerald Orr, is printed in the back of this manual. A version of this song using new music was adopted by the Galileans during national camp, and is also printed in the back of the manual.

Official colors and attire

The colors for Galileans are navy blue and white. Navy blue trousers, white shirt, navy blue tie, and the Galilean blue and white award sash constitute the official attire. The official attire may be worn at initiations, award presentations, and on other occasions approved by the leader.

Each Galilean's life should be characterized by the meanings of his colors — the loyalty symbolized by the blue and the purity represented by the white.

Sponsoring organization

The church and the Brotherhood sponsor and guide the Galileans. The Brotherhood is the correct group to recommend to the church that such an organization be started. The church should provide for the needs and expenses of the Galilean ministry.

Leaders and guides

Each Galilean organization needs a Leader and Guides from among the men of the church (of the Brotherhood, if the church has one). The Leader will have charge. He will be assisted by the Guides in carrying forth the ministry. A Guide is needed for every five boys.

The workers should be selected by the church committee on Christian Education and then presented to the church for approval. They should have the highest moral and spiritual standards. The lives of the workers will teach more than anything else. That is more important than being "apt to teach."

All the Galileans are to be divided into groups — one group, ages 12 and under; and the other group, ages 13 and above.

Leaders and Guides may complete the Galilean Advancement Areas with their boys and receive the related awards.

Committee of review

A group of three men from the sponsoring body should be selected each year to help the boys advance. Changing some of the personnel on the committee each year will spread interest among the men and better acquaint them with the ministry.

The committee should meet with boys individually who are ready to advance. Discussions should be informal. Questions should be asked concerning the particular work and study in which each boy has engaged.

The purpose of the committee and the meeting is to ensure that each boy who advances has earned the rank. It also develops closer ties between the boys' organization and the Brotherhood.

The committee should meet the Galilean only when he has completed sufficient work for a new rank. The committee should be called by the Galilean Leader.

Membership

1. Any boy nine years or older, or who has completed the 3rd grade, may become a member of the Galileans. Boys 19-21 may continue as members of the Galilean ministry, but will be ineligible to hold office or be a candidate for Mr. Galilean Senior.

- 2. Each new member must agree to abide by all rules and regulations of the organization.
- 3. Each new member must agree to follow the selected leaders.
- 4. Each boy must attend three consecutive meetings before being initiated into membership. (Plan the initiation for the next meeting.)
- 5. At his initiation each boy shall give by memory the Galilean motto with Scripture verses and the Galilean promise. At his initiation each boy shall be given his Galilean pin.
- 6. Each boy who is a church member is expected to attend Sunday School, Christian Growth Ministry (if held) and both Sunday worship services. (All Galileans are encouraged to attend those and all other services of the church.)
- 7. Any boy who begins Galileans at an older age may begin work on later steps without completing earlier steps. However, for recognition as an Ambassador, the boy will be required to go back and complete all step requirements.
- 8. Time limits may be waived for areas of advancement for boys who are eleven or older when they join.

Officers

The officers of each local Galilean organization shall be president, vicepresident, secretary, flag bearer, Bible bearer, and song leader. Any other officers deemed necessary by any local organization may be selected.

Duties

The president shall preside at all meetings. He shall conduct all ceremonies and promote the Galilean organization in general.

The vice-president shall serve as membership promoter and care for all duties of the president in his absence.

The secretary shall check the roll at each meeting and keep a record of each member's attendance and each member's promotion record. (See "Personal Record" sheet in the back of the manual.)

The flag and Bible bearers shall present the American flag, the Christian flag, and the Bible in each meeting. They shall lead the group in the salutes to each flag and the Bible. (See suggested order of service.)

The song leader shall direct the group in the singing of the theme song at each meeting. He shall lead in any other singing that might be done.

Attendance and promotion personal record

The Leader should have a master file on all Galileans for attendance and

promotion. Each Guide will need records for boys in his group. He will at each meeting give them to the secretary for proper recording of information.

Order of service

Weekly meetings are best for the Galileans. Meetings after school during the week seem to work fine for most churches. Others may find some other time and schedule more appropriate.

The following order of service is suggested:

1. Call to order by president; presentation of flags and Bible; the salutes led by the chosen officers.

Honor to the American Flag

Flagbearer: "We shall now do honor to the American flag."

All respond: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands; one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Honor to the Christian Flag

Flagbearer: "We shall now do honor to the Christian flag."

All Respond: "I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands; one Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again, with life and liberty to all who believe."

Honor to the Bible

Bible Bearer: "We shall now pledge our allegiance to the Bible."

All respond: "I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word; it is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path; I will hide its words in my heart that I might not sin against God."

- 2. Theme song led by the song leader.
- 3. Prayer The president may call upon some member to lead prayer, or he may lead it himself. Only boys who have made a profession of faith in Christ as Savior should be asked to lead in prayer. (The first three items of each service should be carried out while the group is standing.)
- 4. Roll call by secretary.
- 5. Recognition and welcome of visitors and new members.
- 6. Business session.
- 7. Teaching of lesson (Leader in charge); Bible lesson or mission study; handcraft or work on requirements. Vary the programs.
- 8. Dismiss for organized play.

Areas of Advancement

There are six Areas of Advancement — Tyro, Fellow, Follower, Disciple, Herald, and Ambassador. Under each of these areas you will be dealing with five Areas of Service: Personal Service, Missions, Christian Witnessing, Bible Study, and Church. Each area contains a number of requirements.

When the designated number of requirements in the area chosen is completed and the Galilean has satisfied his Leader and Guide with his work, he shall be awarded stars in this area. The stars shall be attached to the Award Sash next to the patch in all five Areas of Service.

Each Galilean should complete each Area of Advancement before moving to another area. That is for the purpose of getting work done in all areas and not just in one area that might appeal to a member.

The purpose of the Areas of Advancement in the Galilean work is to offer a uniform guide for individual work. The Areas of Advancement should challenge the Galilean to do his best as he serves through his Galilean organization. The requirements are not easy. They will necessitate much of his time and effort.

As the Galilean moves forward through the Areas of Advancement, he will gain much knowledge that can have a far-reaching influence in his life. He will memorize many scriptures, study the Church Covenant, read some good missions books, learn what Baptists believe, become familiar with several missionaries and their work, study the life of Christ, and see what Christ expects of a Christian.

There are six divisions in the Area of Advancement, as follows:

- 1. Tyro a recruit, or beginner in learning.
- 2. Fellow a comrade, associate, or companion of others who are learning about Christ.
- 3. Follower one who follows; attendant; one in pursuit of; one who copies another; one who attempts to be like Christ, the greatest example.
- 4. Disciple one who receives instruction from another concerning fruitful service for Christ.
- 5. Herald one who proclaims, publishes, announces, or foretells; a messenger of Christ.
- 6. Ambassador one sent forth into the world as the personal representative of the King of kings, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Each member should be ready to give from memory, at any moment, the definition of each step through which he has advanced.

Areas of advancement record

Requirements for becoming a **Tyro**

- 1. Recite from memory the Galilean Motto with scriptures, the Galilean Promise, and know the official colors and attire.
- 2. Memorize the following scriptures and references:
 - a. I am a sinner Romans 3:23; 3:9-10; Galatians 3:22
 - b. My need of the gospel Isaiah 53:6; John 3:16-18; 3:36
 - c. What I must do to be saved Acts 16:31; Romans 10:9-10, 13
- 3. Attend Galilean meetings for two months.
- 4. Take a part on the program twice.
- 5. Read one missions book.
- 6. Daily Bible Study: Read a story a day for two weeks from an approved Bible story book or the Bible.
- 7. Name the books of the Bible.
- 8. Name the twelve apostles from memory.

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On achieving the advancement to Tyro, the Galilean will receive his sash. At the end of each subsequent Advancement Area, five stars will be awarded, one for each area of service on the sash.

Requirements for becoming a Fellow

- 1. Study the associational structure of the BMA, including the various BMA associational ministries, and give a brief written or oral report about it.
- 2. Memorize the following scriptures and references:
 - a. Characteristics of a Christian Matthew 5:1-16
 - b. Law of a Christian Matthew 22:35-40
 - c. Mission of a Christian Matthew 28:19-20; John 12:32
 - d. Integrity of a Christian avoid the use of tobacco products, alcohol, and illegal drugs 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Proverbs 23:31-35
 - Purity of the Life of a Christian develop purity of thought, action, mind, and body — Philippians 2:5; 2 Corinthians 6:17; Titus 1:15; Mark 10:6-9

- 3. Read the biographies of three great Baptists. Give an oral report or a written outline on each.
- 4. Be a member of the Galileans for four months.
- 5. Daily Bible Study: Read a story a day for two weeks from an approved Bible story book or the Bible.
- 6. Serve on a committee.
- 7. Read one book of your choice from the suggested reading list.

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Requirements for becoming a **Follower**

- 1. Memorize Psalm 100; Ecclesiastes 12:1; Isaiah 55:6-9; Hebrews 11:7-25; Matthew 7:7-14; Matthew 6:19-33.
- 2. Study the Church Covenant. Be able to pass a written quiz by your leader.
- 3. Study the Doctrinal Statement of the Baptist Missionary Association of America to learn what Baptist churches believe and why. Be able to pass a written quiz about each of the statements.
- 4. Read The Gleaner, a mission magazine of the Baptist Missionary Association of America, and be able to give up-to-date reports of the work being done by the missionaries. Be able to name at least eight of the North American missionaries and tell where they are working. Name the international countries in which we have missionaries and tell something of the work being done there.
- 5. Read two mission books.
- 6. Be a Fellow for six months.
- 7. Take a part on the program four times.
- 8. Read one book of your choice from the suggested reading list.

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Requirements for becoming a **Disciple**

- 1. Memorize the following scriptures and references: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31; 13:1-13; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8; Malachi 3:10; 2 Peter 1:5-12; Proverbs 4:7-27.
- Tell from your outline the chief events in the Life of Christ. (NOTE: Your outline is an outline you have made from your personal review of the Scriptures. You may use other books in making this outline; but it must be your own work, not a copy of some other book or the work done by someone else.)
- 3. Be able to tell what it means to be a Christian.
- 4. Write a theme of five hundred words on "Why I Should Not Smoke or Use Drugs." Do some research on the subject. Study some of the physical, economic, social, and spiritual effects smoking and drug use have upon a person.
- 5. Help train a boy to become a Tyro.
- 6. Be a Follower for at least twelve months.
- 7. Read one book of your choice from the suggested reading list.
- 8. Be able to pass an examination on one New Testament book.

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Requirements for Becoming a Herald

- 1. Memorize the following scriptures and write their meanings in your own words:
 - a. The Christian's Separation From the World 1 John 2:15-17; Romans 12:1-2; Colossians 3:1-17
 - b. The Christian's Dedication to Christ Ephesians 6:10-18; Galatians 5:16-26; Titus 2:1-8
 - c. The Christian's Duty as a Good Citizen Romans 13:1-7; Isaiah 9:6
 - d. The Christian's Duty as a Church Member Matthew 20:25-28; 23:23; John 13:35; 17:23; Romans 12:3-5; Galatians 6:10; Hebrews 10:25
- 2. Read the book of Acts. Tell from your outline the chief events in the life of Paul.

(NOTE: Your outline is an outline you have made from your personal view of the Scriptures. You may use other books in making this outline; but it must be your own work, not a copy of some other book or the work done by someone else.)

- 3. Read one mission book and one Christian witnessing book from the suggested list. Be able to explain the way of salvation, using your Bible to locate scriptures used.
- 4. Name your state missionaries and tell where they are working. Name your local association missionary and tell where he is working.
- 5. Study the following scriptures: Proverbs 20:1; 23:29-32; Isaiah 5:11, 22; Romans 13:13-14; Ephesians 5:18. Write a theme of approximately five hundred words on "Why Christians Are to Abstain From the Sale and Use of Alcoholic Drinks."
- 6. Write a theme of five hundred words on "Applying the Church Covenant to My Life."
- 7. Report on what your church gave to missions (local, state, North American, and international) for one month. Show how this compares with the total expenditures of your church for that month.
- 8. Serve in Sunday School or Christian Growth Ministry as an officer, teacher, sponsor, or assistant.
- 9. Lead in public prayer twice.
- 10. If your home does not have family worship (referred to many times as family altar), help to start those devotional periods. After two months of family worship, write a theme of approximately five hundred words on "What Family Worship Means to Our Home."
- 11. Assist at least two aged friends or neighbors without pay by mowing, cleaning yard, running errands, etc.
- 12. Read a book of your choice from the supplementary list.
- 13. Read one Old Testament book and be able to pass an examination.

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Requirements for becoming an Ambassador

- 1. Visit at least four sick or disabled people.
- 2. Help in the church's bus ministry, outreach, or youth groups for at least three months.
- 3. Assist the pastor for at least three Sundays or on other days as he may outline for you to aid him.
- 4. Read one (in each area) book on Christian assurance and Christian hope.
- 5. Write a theme of five hundred words on "Sexual Purity Before Marriage and Sexual Faithfulness in Marriage." Do some research on the subject. Study some of the physical, economic, social, and spiritual effects purity and impurity have upon a person.
- 6. Visit your local missionary and give a report on his life and work (may substitute state or North American if no local missionary is available).
- 7. Write or visit a state, a North American, and an international missionary or former missionary and give a report on their work (3 reports).
- 8. Read at least two missions books and give a written report on each.
- 9. Memorize the following scriptures and references:
 - a. Christian assurance Psalm 91:1-16; Romans 8:1-4; 8:16-18; 8:28; 8:35-39
 - b. The Christian hope 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 2 Peter 3:9-14; Revelation 21:1-7; 22:1-7
- 10. Write a theme of five hundred words on "My Beliefs of Creation."
- 11. Attend a local, state, or national associational meeting and give a detailed report, including place of meeting, time of meeting, name of association, officers, and number of cooperating churches.
- 12. Write a report (after study) of the church plant. Include present classes offered, size, structure, maintenance, personnel, and suggestion of future improvements.
- 13. Read Cobb's Baptist Church Manual.
- 14. Become acquainted with the work of the Brotherhood by doing the following:
 - a. Study the Brotherhood manual.
 - b. Be able to tell the object of the local, district, state, and national Brotherhoods.
 - c. Name the officers needed in a local Brotherhood and tell the duties of each.
 - d. Make a list of the officers for the local, district, state, and national Brotherhoods.
 - e. List some of the projects completed by the national brotherhood in the past. Be able to name the current project of the district, state, and national Brotherhoods.

- f. Attend a district Brotherhood meeting in your area.
- 15. Read one book of your choice from the suggested reading list.
- 16. Read one book of the Old Testament or New Testament, and be able to pass a test on it.

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As an Ambassador, the Galilean is now invited to become a lifelong Steward.

Suggested Reading List

Personal Service Commitments of Church Members (BPH)* Created Male and Female (BPH) Discipleship Basics #1 and #2 (BPH) Doing What's Right (BPH) Facing Life's Crises (BPH) Family Foundations, Travis Plumlee Fighting the Good Fight, Reggie White Get a Love Life, Michelle McKinney Hammond Heaven All Around Us, Harold E. Cooper The Hiding Place, Corrie ten Boom I'm a Social Creature (BPH) In His Steps, Charles M. Sheldon The Inner Life (BPH) Intimacy With God, Cynthia Heald Job Training (BPH) Knowing and Doing God's Will (BPH) Let's Get Growing (BPH) Little Pilgrim's Progress, Helen L. Taylor The Man of Integrity and Forgiveness, Charles R. Swindoll The People Closest to Me (BPH) Personal Struggles (BPH) Pilgrim's Progress, John Bunyan

The Prayer of Jabez, Bruce Wilkinson Purity Under Pressure, Neil T. Anderson and Dave Park Respect for the Body (BPH) Romantic Love, James Dobson Stories From the Game of Life, Bob Welch Unanswered Questions (BPH) Walk Your Talk (BPH) What Would Jesus Do? Garrett W. Sheldon When the Going Gets Rough (BPH) World Religions and Cults (BPH)

Missions

Adoniram Judson, Biography The Arringtons in Bolivia, Bettye White **Biographies of Great Missionaries (BPH)** Brother Burgess, W. J. Burgess Chiguitana, Jurl Mitchell David Brainerd, Missionary, Ranelda Hunsicker E. M. Bounds, Missionary, Darrel D. King The Elliots in Brazil, Bettye White En La Manana, Jurl Mitchell The Faith Stealers (BPH) The Girl With the Missionary Heart, John W. Duggar It Helps to Be Crazy, Tom Jopling Missions in the Mountains, Marie Darst Pablo, Martha Johnson Paul the Missionary, Iva Jewell Tucker The Pride of Springfield, Mary Lou Kellar Rosas, Martha Johnson William Carey, Biography World Religions and Cults (BPH)

Christian Witnessing

Becoming a Contagious Christian, Bill Hybells Discipleship Basics #4 (BPH) Don't Check Your Brains at the Door, Josh McDowell God's Smuggler, Brother Andrew Left Behind, Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins My Life as a Smashed Burrito, Bill Meyers Out of Their Faces and Into Their Shoes, John Cramp Personal Struggles (BPH)

Sharing the Good News (BPH) Turn Off the Darkness, David Cerullo

Church Baptist Doctrine, E. C. Gilentine The Baptist Missionary Association of America 1950-1986, John W. Duggar Brief Studies in Christian Doctrine, J. E. Cobb Christian Leadership (BPH) The Church: Her Leaders and Ministries (BPH) Commitments of Church Members (BPH) Discipleship Basics #3 (BPH) Here's What We Believe, E. Harold Henderson Making Disciples (BPH) The Power of the Blood, H. A. Maxwell Whiter Spiritual Gifts (BPH)

Bible

Bible Study Tools and Techniques (BPH) The Case for Christ, Lee Strobel Connecting With God (BPH) Evidence That Demands a Verdict, Josh McDowell Favorite Bible Verses (BPH) God's Hall of Faith (BPH) How We Got the Bible, John Sailhamer Interpretation Basics #1-4 (BPH) The Parables of Jesus (BPH) Something to Believe In (BPH) Unanswered Questions (BPH)

Other

Flying Blind, Frank Peretti The Genesis Flood, Dr. Henry Morris How Should We Then Live, Francis Schaeffer Life on the Edge, James Dobson The Light and the Glory, Peter Marshall and David Manuel A Man Called Norman, Story About Uncommon Friendship, Mike Atkins The Mark of the Christian, Francis Schaeffer Noah's Ark, Ken Ham and Mark Dinsmore Right From Wrong, Josh McDowell Scientific Creationism, Henry M. Morris

The Screwtape Letters, C. S. Lewis Stories for a Teen's Heart, Alice Gray Suddenly One Morning, Charles Swindoll Wise Guys, Dan and Carol Fiddler

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Encampment honors

Each year two boys who attend the national Galilean Encampment receive recognition for their outstanding achievements in Galileans. One boy, age nine to twelve, is named Mr. Galilean Junior; another, age thirteen to eighteen, is chosen Mr. Galilean Senior.

In order to allow each boy an equal chance to win one of the awards, a point system by which to determine the winner has been adopted. The system is based upon points earned in one year. To be eligible for Mr. Galilean Senior or Junior each boy must be a believer and must make at least one advancement within the previous calendar year's work.

Points are earned as follows: Advancement: Five points per step Attitude: Up to five points Dedication: Up to five points Promptness: Up to five points Effort: Up to five points Local Meetings: One-half point for each meeting (twenty-six points possible) National Camp: Ten points State Meeting: Five points District Meeting: Five points Personal Interview and Conduct at Encampment: Up to twenty points

In case of a tie, one point will be added for each Sunday the boy has attended Sunday School during the year. If there is still a tie, one point will be added for each Sunday the boy has attended Christian Growth Ministry during the year.

The Galilean Leader will be responsible for keeping accurate records of each boy's attendance in Galilean meetings, Sunday School, and Christian Growth Ministry. He should also be prepared to report on each boy's faithfulness in other areas mentioned in the point system.

Nominees at the national Galilean Encampment should have been nominated by their state Galileans. Nominees for state level Mr. Galilean should have been nominated by their district Galileans. Nominees for district Mr. Galilean should have been nominated by their local church Galileans. No boy should stand as nominee for Mr. Galilean at any level for two consecutive years. A boy may be nominated for Mr. Galilean Junior one year and then nominated for Mr. Galilean Senior the following year.

Steward

The Steward ministry is restricted to those that have completed the Ambassador step in Galileans. Others who wish to participate may do so by completing all the requirements of the six steps in the Galilean ministry. The name Steward is based on 1 Corinthians 4:2. Steward is a word widely used in the King James Version of the Bible which refers to one who has been entrusted with that which belongs to another for the purpose of appropriately using that which has been entrusted. In our case it refers to one who has been entrusted with the good news of God's salvation and fellowship with Him. We think of Eliezer who was the steward of Abraham and was entrusted with the responsibility of finding Isaac a wife among Abraham's kindred, Genesis 15:2; 24:1-4. This concept is used by Jesus in Luke chapters 12 and 16 to describe faithfulness by his followers as active duty, not just passive acceptance of His salvation. Titus 1:7 compares a bishop to a steward of God.

One who enters the fold of the Galilean Stewards is expected to be specially qualified to serve as a Galilean leader. He will share a special brotherly relationship with other Galilean Stewards and will uphold his brother Stewards to God in prayer as well as support them with encouragement and fellowship as long as he lives.

To become a Galilean Steward, a man must complete assignments in each of seven areas. Each assignment will be custom made to fit the specific circumstances in which the man lives. The assignments will be developed in cooperation between the man and the local Galilean leader and submitted for approval to the national Galilean director prior to embarking upon their completion. The assignments may be approved one by one or all at once and may be completed at any time after completion of the Galilean Ambassador step. There is no time limit on completion of the assignments. The emphasis is on faithful, high quality completion. The seven areas are:

Leadership — Using Moses as a study in leadership with individual applications Discipling a younger Galilean Bible scholarship Witnessing Service in church Service in the Baptist Missionary Association Service in Family

Examples of the types of assignments that might be made in each area depending upon the circumstances of the individual are:

Leadership

All assignments will include a study of the life of Moses. The nature of the study will depend upon the circumstances of the individual. As a minimum, an outline of the life of Moses should be completed.

Serve in a position of leadership for at least six months while demonstrating the biblical qualities of leadership. The leadership role may be a secular or church position depending upon the circumstances of the individual. The project could include beginning or reviving a Galilean group in the individual's church or a sister church.

Discipling a younger Galilean

Completion of this assignment will be measured by the growth of the younger Galilean, not by completion of time period. Since discipling is a process that is never completely finished, some end point will have to be agreed to, but this end point will likely have to be quite subjective.

Bible scholarship

All assignments should include completion of a study or examination that demonstrates a working knowledge of both the Old and New Testaments and how different parts of the scriptures fit together both historically and contextually. The study should be the equivalent of a college freshman level Bible survey course or courses. In addition, an in-depth study of a topic or book of the Bible should be completed and documented by report.

Witnessing

All assignments should include completion of a study of practical witnessing tools, approaches, and techniques. Application of this area should include a written summary of one personal witnessing experience giving name, date, and situation. Since God is the One Who provides witnessing opportunities, this assignment should not provide the incentive to manufacture an opportunity to complete the assignment. God will provide adequate opportunity for a properly prepared child of God to witness to one who needs God's salvation. The opportunity so accepted need not lead to the salvation of the one to whom the witness is provided.

Service in the church

Service in some capacity, elected or otherwise, in the church for a period of at least six months. This activity should be in addition to the leadership

service provided under the leadership area. It may be in a non-leadership position such as janitor, grounds keeper, construction worker, teaching assistant, nursery worker, etc. A demonstration of faithfulness in both dependability and quality is the objective.

Service in the Baptist Missionary Association

This area could include many things such as making arrangements for the hosting of an associational meeting; serving as an associational clerk; conducting surveys or studies of associational work at the local, state, national or international level; working on a mission field or at an associational office such as the missions office warehouse, or Lifeword, or the Department of Church Ministries, or Baptist News Service, etc. When opportunity exists, service in the Galilean ministry beyond the local church would be welcome.

Service in the family

Depending upon the individual's family situation, this assignment should in some way involve the facilitation of an improvement in the spiritual well being of the individual's family. The emphasis is, again, on faithfulness. Unrealistic goals, such as the reuniting of divorced parents, should not be used in a manner that would set the individual up for failure. An assignment that involves a continuing faithful effort should be chosen instead of one that focuses on an end result. The use of physical or material efforts such as caring for an invalid relative or taking special interest in a younger sibling should not be precluded by the emphasis on spiritual well being because, properly chosen, such efforts can facilitate improvements in the spiritual well being of a family.

After completion of the Steward assignments, a time of close fellowship with other Stewards will be arranged. A time of at least a day or two will be scheduled in which the new Steward will fellowship with other Stewards constantly, such as a campout or a BMA construction project trip. The purpose will be to establish a bond that will continue and to provide an opportunity for the new Steward to demonstrate his faithfulness. This time will serve to draw him into the fold of Stewards who will, from then on, be committed to pray for him (and he for them), to encourage him (and he them), and to hold him accountable (and he them).

Personal record

Name					
Address_			Phone		
January	February	March	Record of rank or promotion		
1	1	_1			
2	2	_2			
3	3	_3			
4	4	_4			
5	5	_5			
April	May	June			
1	1	_1			
2	2	_2			
3	3	_3			
4	4	_4			
5	5	_5			
July	August	September			
1	1	_1			
2	2	_2			
3	3	_3			
4	4	_4			
5	5	_5			

October	November December	Record of rank or promotion
1	_ 1 1	
2	_22	
3	_33	
4	_44	
5	_ 5 5	

Galilean supplies

- Lesson Plan Book (8 1/2" x 11" loose-leaf)
- Lesson Plan Book Binder (8 1/2" x 11")
- Galilean Pin (with safety catch)
- Sash (Blue 6" x 60" flannel)
- Star (White 1" Sewed)
- Binders (with rings)
- Information Cards (GIC)
- Personal Record Card (GPR)
- Galilean Leaders Packet (Order from your state promoter or national promoter. The packet includes a test to be given at the end of each advancement area.)
- Galilean Score Sheet
- The Galilean Song is available on audio tape or CD

Galilean award system

Pins and bars have been designed for the Galilean ministry. When all Areas of Advancement have been completed, the Galileans will have an attractive array of medals.

- Galilean Fish 1["] basic pin in the shape of a fish. Gold with blue letters.
- Tyro 1 1/4" oval pin with eastern and western hemispheres in gold, waters in blue. "Growing Boy" at bottom.
- Fellow 1" bar to attach to the Tyro pin. Gray ship with "Fellow" on the side in gold.
- Follower 1" bar in shape of gold, horizontal cross.
- Disciple 1["] brown scroll with gold letters.
- Herald 1["] gold trumpet with blue letters.
- Ambassador 1["] shield lettered "Galilean Ambassador" with backgrounds of navy, blue, light blue, and red.

See Baptist Publishing House catalog for current prices of basic pins and bars. (Because of fluctuation of the price of metal, prices are subject to change without notice.)



